



NEWSLETTER

International Day 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are excited to announce that our school will be celebrating **International Day** on Friday 22nd November. This special event is a wonderful opportunity for our community to come together and recognise the diverse countries and cultures that make up our school community. On Saturday 23rd November we will also hold our international Fete in the school grounds.

International Day is a time for us to learn and reflect on each other's countries, cultures, traditions, and more. By exploring different cultures, we aim to foster a greater understanding of the world and the people who live in it. This celebration helps our students become more open-minded, tolerant, and accepting of different cultures.

The day promises to be a lot of fun, with various activities planned to engage and educate our students. Here are some of the exciting activities we have lined up:

- **Trying different foods** from around the world.
- **Wearing and seeing traditional clothes** from various countries.
- **Learning about other countries' traditions and cultures.**
- **Participating in a flag parade** to celebrate the diversity of our school.

Through these activities, our students will learn about how they can become global citizens. Global citizens possess the skills to overcome problems and difficulties and take action in creating a tolerant, respectful, and inclusive world.

We look forward to celebrating this special day with you and your children and hope it will be a memorable experience for everyone involved.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Gareth Jones
Head of Primary

FRIENDSHIP WEEK (KS1) AND ANTI-BULLYING WEEK (KS2)

Dear Parents

Next week, (**Monday 11th – Friday 15th November**) is Friendship Week (KS1) and Anti-Bullying Week (KS2) around the World.



BSL is taking part in this worldwide event to raise awareness about the effects of bullying inside and outside school.

Pupils will take part in a number of activities throughout the week to raise awareness of this issue.

The theme this year is centred around "CHOOSE RESPECT" – a core value here at BSL.

On **TUESDAY 12th NOVEMBER** the school will be encouraging pupils to wear **ODD SOCKS** to school. This highlights that we are all a little different and unique in our own way.



Talk with your child about what odd socks day means.

Discuss the importance of accepting and embracing our differences.

ANTI-BULLYING/FRIENDSHIP WEEK COMPETITION!

In celebration of anti-bullying/ friendship week. We are having a poetry competition. Write a song, poem or rap about friendship/ anti bullying at home.

The entries need to be handed in to your teacher or Ms Jenny by the **21st November**.

Winners will be announced in the following assembly.

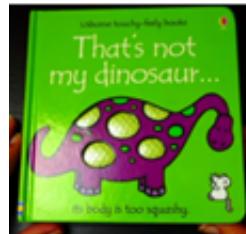
Good luck!

NURSERY NEWS

We all continue to Play, Learn and Grow!

Last week we finished our work on what we want to be when we grow up. The children talked about different jobs and took part in a range of activities.

This week in Nursery we have begun our new topic: 'The land before time'. We will be learning all about dinosaurs.



We read our own story of that's not my dinosaur but you can listen to a read aloud version on this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h7YoKOFBICE> We have been learning the song and actions for 'Dinosaur Dinosaur Turn Around' https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tAyn_uqChBg



Talk homework:

Next week is friendship week. Talk to your child about what it means to be a good friend. Listen to the story 'How do dinosaurs play with friends' to help you discuss.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y--X_LoLhk



RECEPTION



Reception students participated in a meaningful event last week by wearing pink to raise awareness for cancer. It was a great opportunity to show our support and help the children learn about compassion and care in our community.

We've also started an exciting new unit on seasons, with a special focus on autumn. The children pretended to go on a leaf hunt around the school, gathering "leaves" as they explored the colours and textures of the season. They're really enjoying learning about nature's changes and the beauty of the world around them!



LEADER IN ME

ROXANNE AND EMRYS (YEAR 3)

An Interview with Roxanne and Emrys in Year 3. Roxanne and Emrys are appreciated for their honesty, kindness and respect.



Roxanne



Emrys

- **What makes a good leader?**

Roxanne: Someone who sets an example and stands straight.

Emrys: Someone who helps people to focus on their work.

- **Why are you a leader?**

Roxanne: I can help people behave correctly.

Emrys: I can help others focus on their work.

- **What is your favourite food?**

Roxanne: Pineapple

Emrys: Double crunch crust burger

- **What is your favourite thing to do after school or on weekends?**

Roxanne: Read books

Emrys: Read books, do homework and play outside.

- **Can you tell me about something cool or interesting you've learned recently?**

Roxanne: Ancient Egyptian history about the Rosetta stone

Emrys: All about the Egyptians

- **What's the best thing about school for you?**

Roxanne: Learning new things

Emrys: Science and Topic

- **What do you want to be when you grow up, and why?**

Roxanne: Artist, musician (Singer)

Emrys: Rock star, geologist, biologist and freedom fighter.

- **What's your favourite book or story and why do you like it?**

Roxanne: Buster's birthday.

Emrys: Stories about the Titanic.

- **How do you think we can help people who might be sad or upset?**

Roxanne: Cheer them up and make them happy.

Emrys: Saying sorry.

- **If you could have any animal as a pet, even if it's imaginary, what would it be?**

Roxanne: Cute puppies and cats.

Emrys: Scorpions, snakes, dragons and lobsters.

YEAR 1 NEWS

This half term, Year 1 kicked off an exciting new topic exploring different materials! The children enjoyed a hands-on activity around the school, searching for everyday materials like metal, wood, plastic, and glass. They learned to recognise each material's unique properties and discovered how these materials are used in our daily lives. From spotting metal in door handles to glass in windows, the children became keen explorers, building curiosity about the world around them!



YEAR 2 NEWS

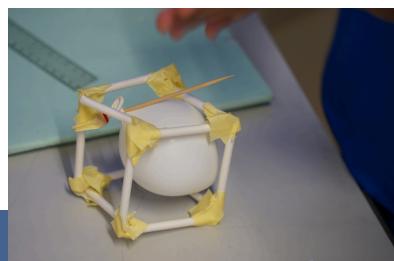
Year 2 students have stepped into the shoes of zoologists in the classroom laboratory. It was a messy and exciting time identifying unique traits of various animals and how they adapt in their environments. Their hands-on discoveries are sparking curiosity of animals all around us..



YEAR 4 NEWS

Year 4 extends a warm welcome to our newest member, Leonor! We are really excited to have her join our year group and she already feels like part of the BSL family.

In science this week, we have explored **The Amazing Human Body!** Students constructed their own 'skeletons' to protect a balloon, just like our skeletons protect our own organs. If the balloon survived bumps, falls, crashes, and other playground accidents, the created skeleton was successful! If not, students had to 'treat' their skeletal structures and provide them with the right 'nutrients' (ie- tape!) to build strong and healthy bones. Be sure to ask the Year 4's about the amazing things our body can do, especially with proper training!



PARTS OF A FLOWER



This term Year 5 is beginning to look at the life cycles of living things. The first part of the topic sees the pupils investigating the male and female parts of a flower. Year 5 found a range of flowers in our environment and dissected them to locate, recognise and label the specific parts of a flower on a range of fauna.



YEAR 6 NEWS



In Year 6, students investigated the process of water evaporation in different locations. The variables like the amount of water and time were kept constant. Students concluded that evaporation occurs at different temperatures. From this activity they understood that liquid evaporates quickly at high temperature.



BREAST CANCER AWARENESS

The Primary School took part in Cancer Awareness Week last week by dressing up in Pink on Thursday Mufti Day. The children enjoyed dressing in pink and learning more about how cancer affects people all over the world.



LITTLE KICKERS ASEP ACTIVITY



The After School Enrichment Programme gives all pupils the opportunity to try out new activities and build skills away from the confines of the curriculum.

A great example of this is Little Kickers, in this activity our Reception pupils learn how to play games, take part in activities and develop key sportsmanship skills. These are the youngest members of the After School Enrichment Programme working together and having fun with Mr Snell and Mr Williams.



DELF

Le mercredi 6 novembre, nous avons reçu la visite de diligence de **Mademoiselle Rachel Ciry, Chargée de mission pédagogique et de centre de langue de l'Institut Français** pour inspecter nos installations pour le test pratique DELF. Elle a exprimé sa satisfaction quant à nos installations.

Ce test pratique pour nos étudiants nous donnera une bonne vue d'ensemble de leur préparation en vue de l'examen DELF à l'Institut Français.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Event	Description
Monday 11th November	Remembrance Day	A memorial day observed in Commonwealth member states since the end of the First World War to honour armed forces members who have died in the line of duty.
Monday 11th – Friday 15th November	Assessment Week	Assessment week for Term 1.
Monday 11th – Friday 15th November	Anti-bullying Week	An initiative that highlights the issue of bullying and encourages individuals to take action against it.
Tuesday 12th November	Odd Socks Day	A day when schools, workplaces, and individuals join together to show that it's okay to be different and to stand up against bullying and discrimination.
Friday 6th December	Primary Drama Production	This Year's Primary Drama Production at the Amphitheatre.
Monday 9th December 7pm	Christmas Carols at Lome Cathedral	Nine lessons and carols at the La cathédrale du Sacré-Cœur de Lomé
Monday 9th December	End of Term 1 reports to parents	Full End of Term reports to parents.
Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th December (Times TBC)	Parents Evenings	Parent teacher conferences to be booked with your child's teacher.
Friday 13th December 12:00 midday	End of Term	Term 1 finishes at 12:00 midday



PRIMARY ASSEMBLY



Let's set sail together—welcome aboard!

Welcome to Leonor in Year 4, Julia in Year 1 and Ali in Reception

We are really excited to have them join our year group and she already feels like part of the BSL family.



Stars of the week

Today we had a very interesting and busy assembly.

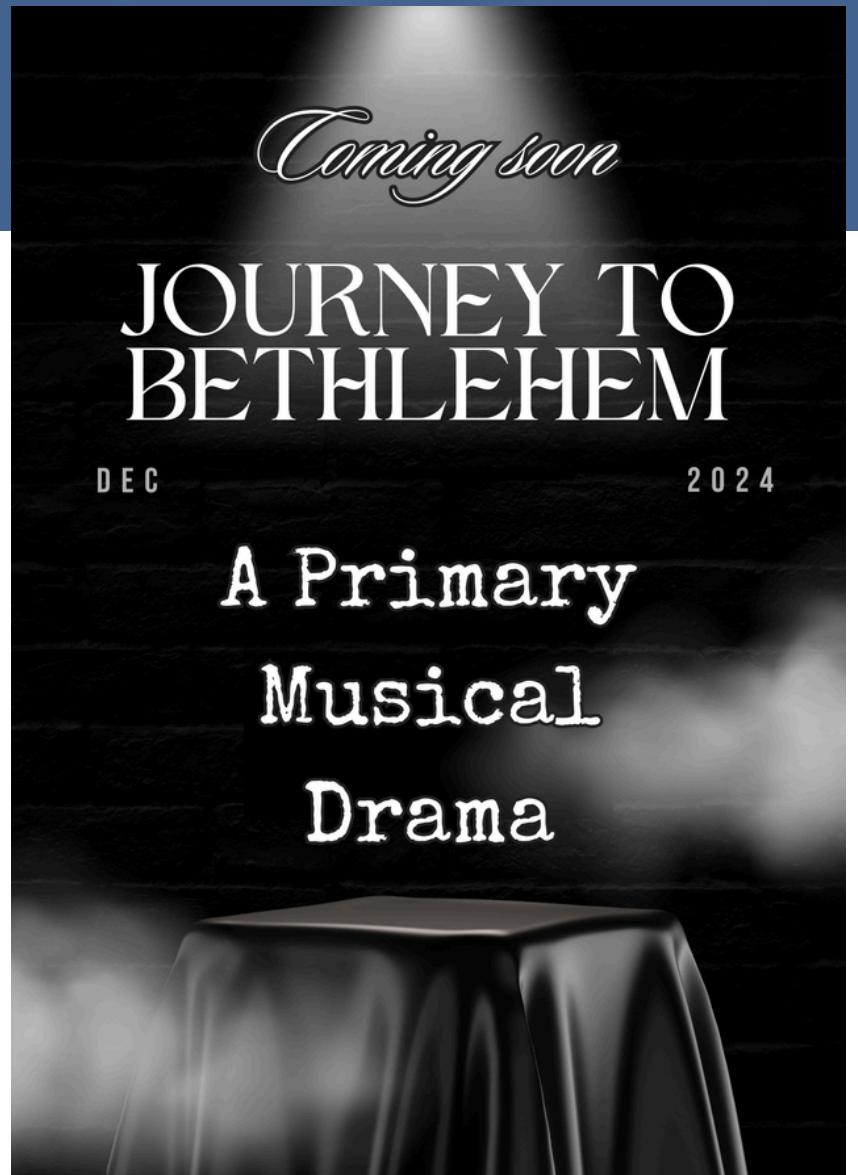
We heard Mr Jones talk about Remembrance Day on 11th November where some children from our school will go to Wahala to remember those that have fought and died in wars.

We also heard Mr Williams talk about Anti-bullying week next week and our odd socks day on Tuesday. The Student Council members helped us understand why this is so important. We are even having a poetry competition next week on the theme of friendship.

Finally we heard a great song from our Year 5 students and our music teachers, the stars of the week, birthdays and we all met our new students.



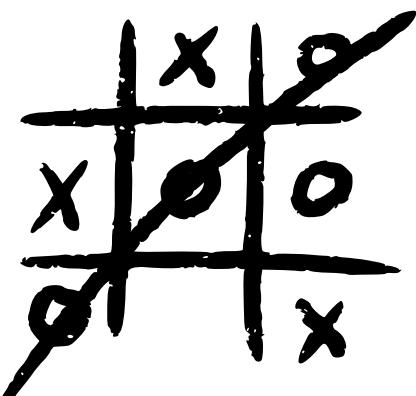
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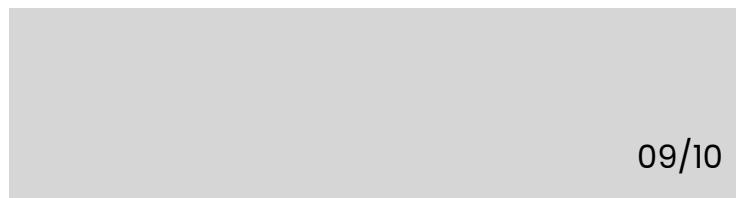
United Nations Word Search

DIRECTIONS: Find and circle the vocabulary words in the grid. Look for them in all directions including backwards and diagonally.

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